

REMARKS

This application has been further reviewed in light of the Office Action dated July 29, 2005. Claims 1 to 16 remain pending in the application. Reconsideration and further examination are respectfully requested.

The claims as presented in the October 31, 2005 Amendment have been further amended herein merely to provide better clarity of the claimed invention. Specifically, the terms "first input information" and "second input information" have been amended to make it clearer that two different types of input information are not being input. Rather, the first input information has been amended to make it clearer that the "first input information" is "information input from an external apparatus", while the "second input information" is actually the same information that is merely being fetched (i.e., input again) due to a change having occurred in the information input from the external apparatus. The claims have also been amended merely to make it more explicit (i.e., to more positively recite) that the second circuit/step makes a determination whether the fetched information matches a protocol of the information input from the external apparatus. Thus, while the claims have been further amended herein, they are nonetheless believed to be allowable over the applied art for substantially the same reasons as set forth in the October 31, 2005 Amendment.

More particular, with regard to Claims 1, 5, 7 and 10, the applied art of Wakasugi, Sotokawa, and Chapman are not seen to disclose or to suggest at least the feature of a second circuit determining whether information fetched by a first circuit when the first circuit detects a change in information input from an external apparatus, matches a protocol of the information input from the external apparatus, and when the information

fetched by the first circuit is not matched with the protocol of the information input from the external apparatus, skipping the fetched information according to the protocol.

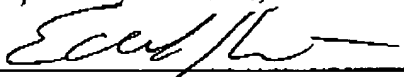
Likewise, regarding Claims 13 and 14, the applied art is not seen to disclose or to suggest at least the feature of a logical filter determining whether information fetched by a latch matches a protocol of information input from an external apparatus, and (according to Claim 13) when the information fetched by the latch is not matched with the protocol of the information input from the external apparatus, skipping the fetched information, or (according to Claim 14) when the information fetched by the latch is matched with the protocol of the information input from the external apparatus, outputting the fetched information.

Inasmuch as Claim 15 has not been amended herein, it is believed to be allowable for the reasons set forth in the October 31, 2005 Amendment.

In view of the forgoing, independent Claims 1, 5, 7, 10 and 13 to 15, as well as the claims dependent therefrom, are believed to be allowable.

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